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SUBJECT: NAMIBIA: SWAPO INTERNAL COMMENTS IN NUJOMA REMARK

REF: CAPE TOWN 0380

1. ACCORDING TO AN AFTERNOON PRESS REPORT FROM WINDHOEK FEB. 28, INTERNAL SWAPO SECRETARY FOR INFORMATION AND PUBLICITY THLABANELLO, IN A PRESS CONFERENCE RESPONDED TO NUJOMA'S REPORTED REMARK ON SABC-TV BY READING A CONTRADICTORY PASSAGE FROM SWAPO'S CONSTITUTION. THE REPORTED PASSAGE READ; "SWAPO WISHES TO ESTABLISH IN NAMIBIA A DEMOCRATIC AND SECULAR GOVERNMENT FOUNDED ON THE WILL AND PARTICIPATION OF ALL NAMIBIAN PEOPLE."

2. THLABANELLO SAID HE SUSPECTED THAT NUJOMA'S REMARK ON THE SABC-TV WAS TAKEN OUT OF CONTEXT. HE SAID HE WOULD NOT REACT FINALLY UNTIL HE HAD THE FULL TEXT OF THE STATEMENT. HE REPORTEDLY SAID THAT IF IT PROVED CORRECT HIS REACTION WOULD
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BE TO REPEAT THE OFFICIAL STAND WHICH CANNOT BE CHANGED BY INDIVIDUALS. THLABANELLO REPORTEDLY STATED THAT THE AIMS AND ATTITUDES OF SWAPO BOTH IN THE TERRITORY AND OUTSIDE WERE THE SAME.

3. ACCORDING TO ANOTHER VERSION OF THLABANELLO'S REMARKS AS CARRIED IN THE CAPE TIMES MARCH, 1, HE ALSO SAID THERE WERE

ONLY TWO CRUCIAL ISSUES STILL IN THE WAY OF AN INTERNATIONAL
AGREEMENT FOR A PEACEFUL SETTLEMENT IN NAMIBIA. THE ISSUES,
#3 -8\$, WERE THE LOCATION OF THE 1500 SOUTH AFRICAN TROOPS
DURING AN ELECTION AND THE QUESTION OF WALVIS BAY.
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